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**BIRTH.**

At Shanghai, on the 20th March, 1897, the wife of

A. M. Binkley, of a daughter.

**DEATH.**

At his residence, Shanghai, at 9 a.m. on the 29th

March, 1897, Robert Henry Watson, aged 49.

Born at New York, U.S.A.

**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, APRIL 4th, 1897.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at

4.35 a.m. on Saturday.

The British gunboat *Reindeer* left Amoy on

the 20th ult. for Swatow.

It is reported that the *Sooloo* has killed a

Spanish officer at Cagayan.

There were 99 deaths in the colony during the

week ending the 28th March.

The American corvette *Onaka* left Yokohama

on the 28th March for Korea.

The German gunboat *Navitas* arrived at

Amoy on the 21st ult. from Hongkong.

A large fire was raging at Hangchow, at a

place named Tai-ping-fong, at 6 p.m. on the 28th

March.

The *Nippon Yusen Kaisha*, says a Japanese

paper, has decided to close running steamers

between Tientsin and Chong.

The *Daily News* says that Mr. E. J. McCallin

has been appointed as pilot in the service of the

H. & O. Co. in the place of Mr. Coates, resigned.

Mr. S. A. Audacious, with Admiral Hamilton

on board, the *Champion*, *Champion*, *Heroine*,  
*Zenith*, *Swift*, *Swift* left Singapore on the 28th

ult. for Batavia.

The Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &

Co.) inform us that the *China Line* steamer

*Glengyle*, from London, left Singapore on Fri-

day, the 21st ult. for this port.

The *Shen-poo* has received a telegram from

its Peking correspondent stating that His Ex-

cellency Li Hung-chang left Peking for Tientsin

at 6.15 p.m. on the 28th March.

The *London Gazette* of the 16th February

contains the unaltered notification—The *Buff*

(East Kent Regiment)—Captain Henry C. So-

merest is removed from the Army.

A Shanghai correspondent says that Count

Walowski, French Military Attaché to the

French Legation in China, having been recalled,

arrived at Shanghai by the *Keuning* on the

27th March, and is on his way home.

A telegram in the *Tai-ching* announces

that General Nihon has been appointed to the

command of the second brigade in Tonquin.

The same telegram announces the death of

General Taro, formerly Minister of War.

A correspondent writing to the *Mercury*, from

Chinking on the 28th March, says: "The

weather here is unusually warm for the time of

year. Our Settlement is polished by Sikhs now,

and John Chinaman will have to behave himself

in future."

A pleasant little reunion of Freemasons took

place in the Masonic Hall on Saturday evening.

Bro. Sherrin, of St. John's Lodge, having in-

ituted a number of the order to a few well-known

gentlemen to R. Wor. Bro. C. Grant, who is going

home for a holiday.

The *Shen-poo* says that so far none of the

native tea-dealers have left Chinking for the

interior to purchase new season's tea. The heavy

losses incurred by the native dealers last season

are setting in, it is said, as a great deterrent to

As a conclusion to the story of Port Hamilton

and its late occupation by our naval forces, we

reproduce the following article from the *Tele-*

graph, which connected the settlement with Shanghai

was sold last week by the Admiralty to a tele-

graph company for £15,000. It was put down

as recently as November, 1895, by the *Tele-*

graph and *Maintenances* Company, at a

cost of upwards of £20,000, and is now in a de-

fective condition.

On Thursday next, at the Theatre Royal,

City Hall, the "Pan on the Bridge" Company

will give a short concert, with John F. Sheridan

in his original part of *Widow O'Brien*. We

are anxious to see the company, for the place

occupied in whatever part of the world it is played.

We venture to think Hongkong will not be slow

to appreciate this little provoking piece, which

is a masterpiece of the kind called in theatrical

circles, "a success."

The 197 men charged with contravention of

the Arms Ordinance were again before the Pe-

lition Court on Saturday, and, with the exception

of one, were discharged, as they were not found

with arms on their person. The one excep-

tion was a soldier on the ground, and the one

stands adjourned until to-day. The option

is detained by order of the Government. The

cases of the option dealer and of the masters of

the cargo boats are also under review.

It is with much regret that the *Strait*

*Times* tell us that we have to report a fatal acci-

dent which has occurred on the 21st inst. at the

Government Railway. It appears that a goods

train was passing Batu Tiga, the engine was

driven on one line of rails, while the cars, owing

to some carelessness at the junction, were

driven on another line, and the result was a

general upset which caused the death of three

persons and injuries to five others. It was most

fortunate that the train was not crowded with

passengers.

The issue of the *Graphic* received by the

French mail contains a series of sketches of the

St. Paul's Cathedral, the City Hall, Hongkong,

and a large view of the city of Victoria, show-

ing the principal buildings and harbours. In the

sketch of the cathedral, the figure of the

clergyman is conspicuous in the foreground.

The sketches are contributed by

Mr. C. W. Cole, of H. M. S. *Leander*; the

view of Victoria is from a photograph by Mr.

D. Griffith.

The Japanese steamer *Asahi* arrived at

Yokohama on the 28th inst. from the

South. She reports having experienced a

typhoon on the 9th ultimo, blowing hardest from

the S.E., with a high mountain sea. For the

safety of the vessel it was compelled to anchor

in the bay, and lost her anchor and jibboom,

main-mast and all yards, nothing remaining

but damaged main-mast. Rigged jury-masts

and reached as far as Inaburo, where she was

taken up by the steamer *Tokushima-maru*, from

Hakodadi.

A large fire occurred in Yon Ping on March

22nd. The *Forbes* Echo says it broke out about

11.30 p.m. near the East gate and city wall and

burned steadily for four hours, till 3.30 a.m. It

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The *Forbes* Echo says:—Two gentlemen

who went to the Yangtze river on the 28th

ult. were told by the village of T. H. H. H.

that a tiger had killed and eaten a young bullock

the previous night; probably this is the same

beast with whom our correspondent had such an

experience of meeting a month ago. We hear that a

party of keen sportsmen, armed to the teeth with

rifles and revolvers, has started in search of the

tiger, but we think there is little chance of their

meeting him.

Webb's Marionettes gave a *matinee* perfor-

mance on Saturday afternoon at the Theatre

Royal for the benefit of children and fami-

lies, which was availed of by a well-filled house,

notwithstanding the counter attraction produced

by the performance of the *Marionettes*. The

little troupe seemed very pleased

with the performance, and the audience was

much pleased to see them. The evening

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